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DNR# 27

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

John Archer Stone House

AND/OR COMMON

Rock Run Sanctuary - Maryland Ornithological Society Bird Sanctuary

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Rock Run Road

CITY, TOWN

Hayre de Grace

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

— DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

— STRUCTURE

— SITE

— OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC

— PRIVATE

— BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

— IN PROCESS

— BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

— OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

— WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

— YES: RESTRICTED

— YES: UNRESTRICTED

— NO

PRESENT USE

— AGRICULTURE

— COMMERCIAL

— EDUCATIONAL

— ENTERTAINMENT

— GOVERNMENT

— INDUSTRIAL

— MILITARY

— MUSEUM

☒ PARK

— PRIVATE RESIDENCE

— RELIGIOUS

— SCIENTIFIC

— TRANSPORTATION

— OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Maryland Department of Natural Resources Telephone #: 267-5656

STREET & NUMBER

Taylor Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis,

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21401

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air,

STATE

Maryland

Liber #: GRG410

Folio #: 431

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

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☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The stone farmhouse commonly referred to as Rock Run Sanctuary is situated amid thick woodlands on a steep slope overlooking Rock Run Road and Rock Run Creek below. The two-story building with full basement is constructed entirely of uncoursed rubble fieldstone, quoined at its four corners with larger, rectangular chunks of granite. Its gable roof is sheathed in slate shingles, and the exterior woodwork and trim are painted white.

The three-bay east and principal entrance facade is articulated on the basement level by a central doorway flanked by two windows, all sheltered by the lower level of a two-story porch which extends the length of the facade. Both levels of the porch rest on four post supports with half posts engaged to the wall a few inches from the corner of the building. The three-paneled basement door is recessed the full 21" thickness of the stone walls. The jambs are formed by undifferentiated planks of wood with a plain surround and the lintel is a plain board about 4" wide. The windows are boarded up but are characterized by simple, molded timber surrounds but they differ in size and configuration: the north-east window is 6/6 double hung sash (probably replacement) while the southeast window is 3' wide but only 2'6" high. A masonry water table, about 2' in height, runs along this cellar wall facade.

Correspondingly, the first floor level also contains a central door flanked by two windows. The porch here is characterized by plank flooring and a railing consisting of four horizontal boards, and it is topped by a shed roof with clipped ends. This three-panel door, recessed only half the thickness of the wall, rests on a granite sill and is adorned with a 3 1/2" wide timber surround where the jambs are mortised and pegged into the lintel. The inside edge of these three members is beaded. Though the windows are blocked up it is possible to ascertain that they are identically detailed: simple molded timber surrounds (two fillets separated by a cyma) and slightly projecting sills.

The second story contains two similarly treated windows positioned over the first story fenestration. Abutting the top of their surrounds is the boxed cornice topped by a fillet molding beneath a shallow eave.

On the south gable end of the building a small, squarish window with simple timber surround pierces the pediment. Neither glazing nor sash remains; the attic area is thus vulnerable to the homesteading of bees and birds. A rakeboard corresponding in width to the boxed cornice ornaments both gable ends just under the eaves. The north gable end is undifferentiated except for the end chimney protruding above the roof; this portion is executed in brick and features a corbelled cap.

The west, or rear, facade, also three bays wide, faces up the hillside and is characterized on the first story by a door flanked by two windows.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
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SPECIFIC DATES c. 1800

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The following information is quoted from material collected by Paul Penrod in 1976. The title search attached was also executed by him at that time.

This structure is located on a section of the huge parcel known as "Land of Promise," a 2,000-acre patent from 1684 belonging to Thomas Taylor. In 1735, the tract was conveyed to Jacob Giles, Sr., though a portion of it passed to William Perkins who bequeathed 157 acres to his son Reuben in 1767; Reuben in turn sold this acreage to Nathaniel Giles in 1773. (The influential Giles family was instrumental in the eighteenth century development of the Darlington-Deer Creek area.)

Late in the century, Gerrard Gover acquired this particular section of "Land of Promise." The 1798 Tax List noted Samuel Gover owned a 40' X 40' two-story stone house (probably a direct predecessor to the present stone house) with frame outbuildings in a 515-acre estate. Samuel's family was also locally prominent; his daughters Elizabeth, Margaret, Hannah, Susan and Caroline, operated an area boarding school until 1825 when fire destroyed it.

The present stone house was subsequently bought by John Archer whose name appears on the 1878 Martenet map as the owner of the property. The final owner before DNR acquisition was the Maryland Ornithological Society, which used the property as a retreat.

This modest stone farmhouse, another fine example of circa 1800 rural domestic architecture in Harford County, remains structurally intact, in useable condition. Picturesquely sited, it could easily be converted into a wildlife information center by DNR.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Wright, C. Milton: Our Harford Heritage, 1967, French Bray, Baltimore.
National Register Nomination Form, Susquehanna Historic District, Noy.
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 78

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

This property is located on the western side of Rock Run Road, 1.2 miles south of the intersection with Stafford Road.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE
Ellen Coxe, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION
Maryland Historical Trust

DATE
updated Sept. 1979

STREET & NUMBER
21 State Circle

TELEPHONE
269-2438

CITY OR TOWN
Annapolis

STATE
Maryland 21401

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

The doorway is sheltered by a shed-roofed porch with clipped ends sheathed in slate and resting on two rectangular post supports. One massive granite slab step precedes the plank floored porch. The three-panel door is fashioned like the first floor doorway opposite it, on a granite sill, recessed about half the wall thickness. Its surround is composed of two molded pieces, an outside projecting fillet, then a wider fascia, abutting a plain jamb. The window surrounds on the first story windows and the corresponding two directly above on the second story are the same as the ones on the front facade and they are also boarded shut.

The interior, entered by the cellar door on the east facade is described on this ground floor level by the following features: a single room approximately 14-1/2' X 20' with apertures as described above only on the east wall; stone work is whitewashed but otherwise untreated; the floor consists of brick laid in a herringbone pattern. At the west end wall is a huge fireplace, quite commodious enough to have been intended for cooking, which is 8-1/2" long extending from the northeast corner to underneath the stairway. Stretching nearly three feet in front of the fireplace opening itself is another large granite slab forming the hearth; above the opening is an impressive monolithic granite lintel measuring 7' 8-1/2" long X 17" wide. The rest of the fireplace is executed in uncoursed rubble stone. Finally this room is characterized by an exposed joist ceiling and a corner stairway consisting of 8 winders, each 2' wide, of which the first three are broken and the rest are rotting.

The first story is also one large room with two windows (3' wide X 4' high) and a central three-panel door on each longitudinal wall with north end wall fireplace and corner staircase. Again there is an exposed joist ceiling, but the flooring here is wood plank, 6" wide. The stone walls are whitewashed. The windows are characterized by one-foot deep reveals and simple timber surrounds. The doors are similarly detailed with planks across the top of the plain surround which appear to be recent. The wooden mantel is unadorned except for a shallow shelf braced by a narrow rectangular strip. This surround abuts the door jamb of the stairway where the winders continue to the second floor. A two-foot wide stone hearth stretches in front of the opening.

On the second floor, partitions divide the space into three rooms, the largest of which is approximately 11' X 14-1/2' and entered via the same corner staircase. There is a hole for a stove flue on the north wall in a position corresponding with the fireplaces below. A closet, 2' deep X 1-1/2' wide is located in the northeast corner. Equal sized windows light this room from either side; detailed like those on the first floor they possess 1' wide plank sills. The pine floor boards on this story are about 1' wide and appear to be original. A doorway from this first room lends to the second room which leads to the third, both about 9' X 7' and lit by a window each on front and back respectively.

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Proceeding via the stair, one finds that the attic possesses 1' wide plank flooring and at this level the chimney at the north end is executed in brick. The window at the south gable end is about 2' X 2'. The rafters fit flush into the plate atop the stone walls.

Several hundred yards beyond the house is a former bird shelter that was apparently once a barn. The walls have long since been covered with undergrowth and only the foundation remains.

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SEE REVERSE FORM

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___ IN PROCESS

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___ GOVERNMENT

___ SCIENTIFIC

___ BEING CONSIDERED

___ YES: UNRESTRICTED

___ INDUSTRIAL

___ TRANSPORTATION

___ NO

___ MILITARY

___ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Telephone #: 267-5656

STREET & NUMBER

Tawes State Office Building

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

___ VICINITY OF

Maryland

STATE, zip code

21401

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This two-story dwelling is built into a hillside and faces towards the east. The walls are constructed of uncoursed rubble stone, with quoins and stone lintels and sills. It is three openings across on the eastern and western facades, but the only window on the ends is located on the southern side at attic level. The cellar is totally exposed on the eastern side due to the slope, also being three bays across. The windows are 6 X 6, with the exception of one cellar window near the southeast corner, which is 3 X 3. A water table, about two feet in height, runs along this same cellar wall. Two doors are situated on the eastern side; one on the first floor, and one underneath this where the cellar is. A third entrance is located on the western wall just opposite the eastern first floor entrance. The roof is gable-flank, covered with wood shingles and trimmed with a box cornice. Most of the roof has been replaced. A three-bay, double-deck porch is located on the eastern side, complete with a hip roof. A single brick chimney with a corbeled cap is located on the northern inside end.

Several hundred yards beyond the house is a former bird shelter that was apparently once a barn. The walls have long since been covered with undergrowth and only the foundation remains.

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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This structure probably dates from the late Eighteenth or the early Nineteenth Century. The cellar contained the area used for the kitchen. The tract where the house sits upon is part of the parcel called "Land of Promise", patented at 2000 acres by Col. Thomas Taylor in 1684. It came into the hands of Jacob Giles, Sr., in 1735, although some of it was also owned by William Perkins. William left 157 acres of the tract to his son, Reuben, in 1767 and this was acquired by Nathaniel Giles in 1773. The Giles' were among the first to develop the Darlington-Deer Creek area. This particular section of "Land of Promise" was conveyed to Gerrard Gover in the latter part of the 1700's. The 1798 Tax List mentions that Samuel Gover owned a 40 X 40 two-story stone house with wood outbuildings, as well as 515 acres, making this structure a possible candidate. In the early 1820's, the daughters of Samuel Gover; Elizabeth, Margaret, Hannah, Susan and Caroline, operated an area boarding school which lasted until 1825 when the building burned. The building under discussion was later bought by John Archer, whose name still appears on the 1878 Martenet map as the owner. The last owner was the Maryland Ornithological Society, which used the property as a retreat.

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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul Penrod/ site surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

June 15, 1970

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

267-1212

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

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INVENTORY NO. 573,574

ELECTION DISTRICT _____

DATE: 6/12/76

TAX MAP NO. _____

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

PARCEL NO. _____

NAME OF PROPERTY: BIRD HANE + STEELER

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: ROCK RUN RD

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: EAST

NAME OF OWNER: MO. DEPT. NATURAL RESOURCES

ADDRESS: AMAROLA

STORIES: 1[] 2[✓] 3[] 4[] 5[] 6[] BAYS: 3X1

WINGS, ADDITIONS: NONE

ONLY WINDOW ON N. & S. SIDE
15 ON S. SIDE IN ATTIC

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- [] FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten(type?)
[✓] BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
[✓] STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
[] LOG

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS NONE

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE NONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK — AROUND BASE OF E. CELLAR WALL
WHITE ENTRANCE IS

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1[] 2/2[] 6/6[✓] 9/6[] 9/9[] other[]
pegged[] nailed[✓] wide[] narrow[]
original[] replaced[]

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: OPPOSITE ONE ON E. AND W. SIDE 1ST FLOOR
HARDWARE: ORIGINAL LEVEL W. D. W. EAST SIDE
original[] replaced[✓]
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

NOX
CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES:
original[] replaced[✓] OLD

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERS
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original[] replaced[✓]

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed[] hip[✓] gable[] 3-BAY FRONT DECK PORCH
EAST SIDE - WOOD SHINGLES

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER _____ BRICK[✓] STONE[] CORBELED[✓] original[✓] replaced[]
LOCATION: 1 ON WEST END N. END

ARCHES:

COMMENTS:

OVERVIEW HILLSIDE

ONE WINDOW ON SE SIDE OF HOUSE
153/3

1-BAY HIP
FRONT W. SIDE
RECENT

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
MARYLAND PARK SERVICE

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ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401
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DONALD E. MACLAUCHLAN
ASST. DIRECTOR

May 21, 1976

Mr. Paul Penrod
217 Bynum Ridge Road
Apt. 5
Forest Hill, MD 21050

Dear Mr. Penrod:

Mr. Gene Cheers has sent me a copy of your letter of May 3 to him regarding the Holman House at Lapidum. I have been skeptical of its being a lockhouse for the canal since it appears to me by its construction to post-date the canal by at least 50 years. I would very much like to see your documentation since it sounds rather compelling.

There is another house in the park which I feel is of greater historical significance than the Holman House and which is in every bit as much need of attention. It is a two story stone house which stands off Rock Run Road perhaps 1/2 mile up from the river. It was most recently used by the Ornithological Society of Maryland as a retreat. I would judge its construction date to be late 18th-early 19th century. The roof framing, and possibly the wood shingles appear to be original with tapered cornices and rafters. The original interior partitions are intact, though covered with plaster. There is a warming fireplace, unaltered, in the first floor and a cooking fireplace with stillyard in the basement. The house has no electrical or modern plumbing service. It is, in short, an unaltered example of early national vernacular architecture.

I would very much like to meet with you and perhaps Mrs. Viele at the park to further discuss these and other historical resources in the near future. Please call or write me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,


Ross M. Kimmel
Park Historian

RMK:lts

cc: Mr. Gene Cheers, CAP
Superintendent, Susquehanna State Park

SUSQUEHANNA STATE PARK PROPERTY

Land of Promise- J. Gilman Paul

Libre Folio

This property became park property after the death of J. C. Paul.

GRG	410	431	Philip Webster sold the tract to J. Gilman Paul in 1954.
GRG	410	102	Albert Zellman sold the tract to Philip Webster in 1954.
GRG	405	108	In 1953, Albert Zellman bought the tract from Kenneth W. Dudeck.
GRG	365	462	In 1951, Edgar L. Sperl sold the tract, said to measure 78 acres, to Kenneth W. Dudeck.
GRG	345	502	In 1950, Lora L. King, widow, sold 78 acres to Edgar L. Sperl.
GRG	328	136	In 1949, Mitchell Coale sold the 78 acres to Lora L. King.
GCB	269	24	In 1941, Carrie V. Mitchell sold the 78 acres to Mitchell Coale.

At this point, the origin of the property splits:

Will			
WSF	127	117	1. Elizabeth Hopkins left the property to Carrie V. Mitchell in 1909.

Will			
WSR	10	30	William B. Stephenson left a 58 3/4-acre portion of the Land of Promise and Eightrap to Elizabeth Hopkins.

ALJ	1	186	In 1852, Everitt Hughes sold William B. Stephenson parts of the Land of Promise and Eightrap; amounting to 58 3/4 acres. This parcel came from four different sources.
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John Archer

HD	12	338	In 1829, John Archer sold Everett Hughes a 47 acre section of the Land of Promise. This property came to Archer from three sources.
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HD	12	152	1. In 1827, Samuel Worthington conveyed to John Archer a 250 acre portion of Eightrop and the Land of Promise.
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HD	Y	393	In 1815, Samuel Gover sold Walter Worthington a 250 acre part of Eightrip and the Land of Promise.
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HD	T	382	In 1808, Samuel Gover acquired from Hannah Gover the same 250 acres, conveyed to Hannah by Nathaniel Giles.
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HD	11	295	2. In 1828, Margaret Gover and others sold 180 acres of Eightrop and the Land of Promise to John Archer. In 1808, Samuel Gover granted the same property to Henry Tutchton.
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JLG	N	467	In 1797, Samuel Gover purchased from Gerrard Gover 273 3/4 acres, parts of the Land of Promise and Eightrap.
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Libre Folio

HD Z 385 3. In 1817, the heirs of John Stump sold part of Eightrap and the Land of Promise to John Archer. This tract was once part of Perkin's Valley.

HD R 229 John Stump bought from Samuel Gover parts of Eightrapp, the Land of Promise and Perkins' Valley. This parcel consisted of 16 acres and 36 perches and was part of Samuel Gover's land

Parker Mitchell

HD W 395 In 1812, Parker Mitchell leased Everett Hughes a two acre part of the Land of Promise. Hughes was to construst, within the next fourteen years, a 16 X 18 two-story house and fish shed.

HD T 162 In 1808, Ephraim Gover conveyed to Parker Mitchell the two acres of the Land of Promise.

HD R 336 In 1805, Samuel Gover sold the two acres to Ephraim Gover. This was part of the tract that was conveyed from Gerrard to Samuel Gover.

Samuel Gover

HD W 406 Samuel Gover sold an 18 acre, 20 perch section of Eightrapp to Everett Hughes in 1812.

John Hall Hughes

JLG O 650 In 1800, John Hall Hughes conveyed to Everett Hughes a 25 acre, 95 perch portion of Eightrapp. This parcel had three possible origins.

JLG O 211 1. In 1798, John Hall Hughes purchased 10 3/4 acres of Addition to Eightrapp from Henry Stump.

JEG H 58 2. In 1796, Thomas and Aquila Giles sold John Hall Hughes a 108 1/2 acre portion of Eightrip. This was part of the estate of Jacob Giles, Sr.

JLG K 502 3. In 1790, John Hall Hughes purchased from Freeborn Brown two plots of Eyetrap totalling 38 acres, three roods and 10 perches.

JLG K 469 In 1790, Freeborn Brown purchased from Samuel Osborn, trustee for Thomas Durbin, the same property.

Second part of the Carrie V. Mitchell property

JAR 137 71 John Macklem conveyed the property to Carrie V. Mitchell in 1912.

Libre Folio

This part of Eyetrap consisted of 28 acres, three roods and $34\frac{1}{2}$ perches.

- JAR 137 69 In 1912, John W. Macklem bought 158 acres from Amos H. Hughes and W. Oliver Hughes, executors for the estate of Amos H. Hughes.
- HDG 34 130 In 1848, John Hughes gave to his son, Amos Hughes, 100 acres which included a part of Eightrap.
- HD R 85 In 1803, John Hughes bought from Isaac Whitaker a five-acre and 38 perch piece of Eyetrap.
- WG 11 104 In 1859, Mary Hughes, widow of Everitt S. Hughes, sold 100 acres to Amos H. Hughes, including a part of Eyetrap.
- HD W 406 Samuel Gover sold a portion of Eightrap, amounting to 18 acres and 20 perches, to Everitt S. Hughes in 1812.
- HD T 582 Samuel Gover, in 1808, purchased 25 acres, including parts of Eightrap, from his mother, Hannah, wife of the late Samuel Gover, Sr.
- ALJ 49 457 In 1883, J. Scott Hughes sold $15\frac{3}{4}$ acres of Eyetrap to Amos H. Hughes.
- ALJ 37 397 In 1878, Everitt G. Hughes bought the beforementioned segment of Eyetrap from Evan J. Hughes. J. Scott was possibly a son or a brother of Everitt J. Hughes, for ALJ 49 457 mentions Everitt G. Hughes as a previous owner.
- ALJ 30 422 John Hall Hughes sold this part of Eyetrap to Evan J. Hughes in 1874.
- HD 5 157 James Hughes mortgaged the property, declared here to be 100 acres, to Scott Hughes in 1821. This parcel included Eyetrap. Between 1821 and 1874 it remained in the family, and had been originally given to James by John H. Hughes. It has ~~four~~ possible sources.

Gover

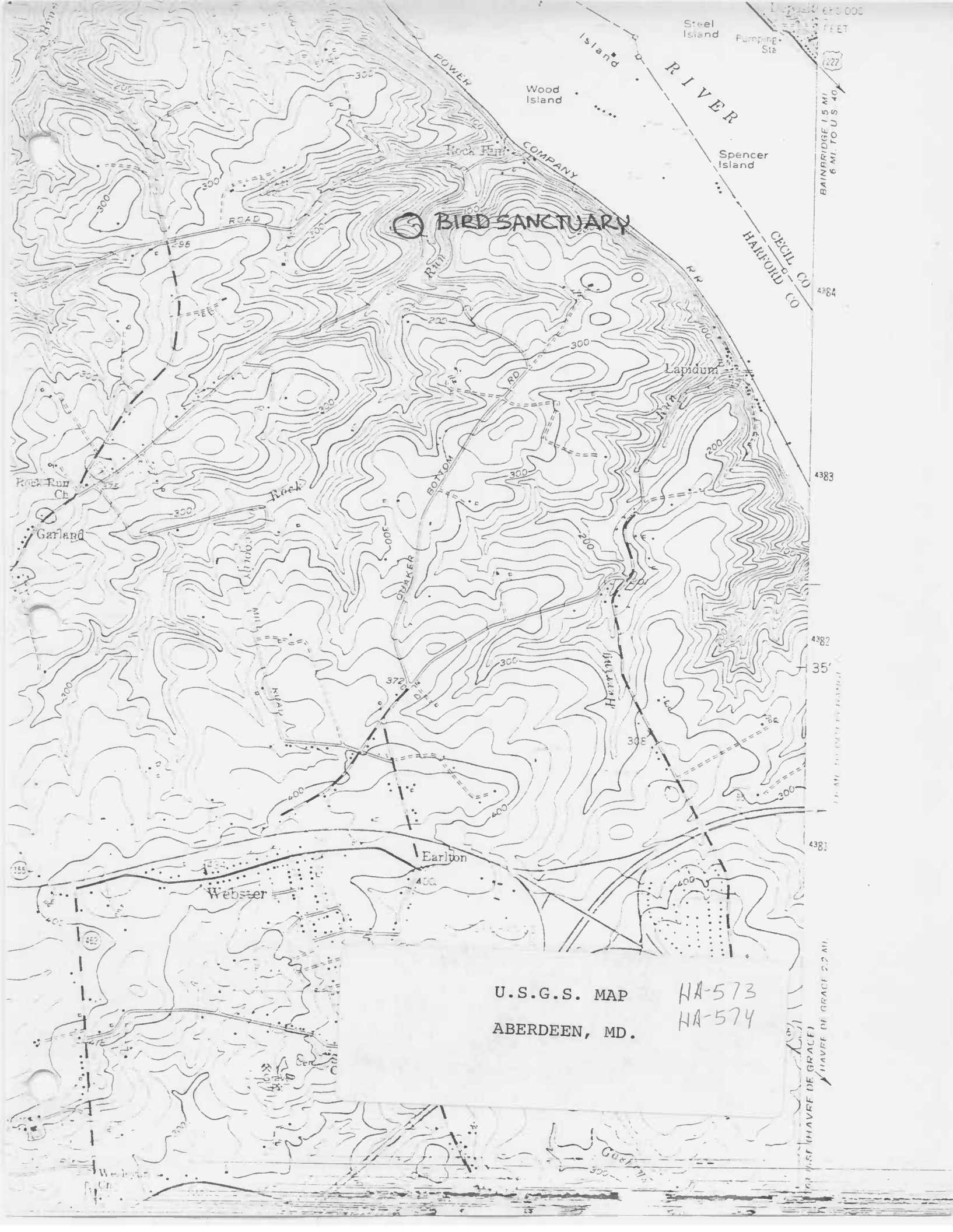
- JLG P 368 John H. Hughes purchased a three-acre, 130 perch tract of land from Samuel Gover in 1800.

Stump

- JLG O 211 John H. Hughes purchased a $10\frac{3}{4}$ -acre section of Eightrapp from Henry Stump.

Giles

- JLG K 502 In 1796, John H. Hughes purchased $108\frac{1}{2}$ acres of Eightrip from Thomas Giles, executor for the estate of the late Jacob Giles.



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